







**Earliest Linear Script from Byblos with West-Syriac Reading**

| <b>Byblos<br/>Script</b>  | <b>West-Syriac<br/>Reading</b> | <b>Transliteration<br/>Value</b> | <b>Numerical<br/>Value</b> |
|---|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|
|   | ʾōlaf                          | ʾ                                | 1                          |
|    | bēt                            | b                                | 2                          |
|   | gōmal                          | g                                | 3                          |
|   | dōlat/d                        | d                                | 4                          |
|   | hē                             | h                                | 5                          |
|   | wāw                            | w                                | 6                          |
|   | zay(n)                         | z                                | 7                          |
|    | hēt                            | ḥ                                | 8                          |
|   | tēt                            | ṭ                                | 9                          |
|   | yōd                            | y                                | 10                         |
|   | kōf                            | k                                | 20                         |
|  | lōmad                          | l                                | 30                         |
|  | mīm                            | m                                | 40                         |
|  | nūn                            | n                                | 50                         |
|   | semkaṭ                         | s                                | 60                         |
|  | ʿayn                           | ʿ                                | 70                         |
|   | pē                             | p                                | 80                         |
|   | ṣōdē                           | ṣ                                | 90                         |
|   | qōf                            | q                                | 100                        |
|   | rēš                            | r                                | 200                        |
|   | šin                            | š                                | 300                        |
|   | tāw                            | t                                | 400                        |

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### **Dedication**

I dedicate all my work published in 2008 to His Holiness Mar Dinkha IV,  
Catholicos-Patriarch of ***The Assyrian Church of the East***, with love and respect.